

Appl. No. 10/660,709  
Amendment dated April 3,2006  
Reply to Office Action of October 7, 2005

ASA-955-02

**REMARKS / ARGUMENTS**

Claims 16-21 remain pending in this application. No claims have been canceled or added.

**Priority**

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's acknowledgment of the claim for priority and safe receipt of the priority document.

**35 U.S.C. §112**

The claims have been amended to overcome the rejections under this section. The Examiner is hereby invited to contact the undersigned by telephone to resolve any remaining issues.

**Conclusion**

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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